Reorganisation of States

465. SHRI JAGADISH JANI: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether a proposal to reorganise the States was under the consideration of Government;

(b) whether some States were proposed to be bifurcated;

(c) if so, the manner in which the States would be reorganised; and

(d) the decision taken by Government in the direction?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI M. M. JACOB): (a) to (d) At present there is no proposal under the consideration of the Government of India for reorganisation of State(s).

Appointment of SC/ST Conductors in D.T.C.

466. SHRI ANAND PRAKASH GAUTAM: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that about 500 SC/ST candidates having completed all pre-appointment formalities *i.e.* Training, Medical, Security etc. are waiting for their appointment as Conductor in DTC;

(b) if so, the reasons for the delay in the matter;

(c) what action has so far been taken by Government in the matter; and

(d) whether the policy of adding 2000 STA permit buses in place of enlarging the number of DTC buses in Delhi would enhance the prospects of their appointment in D.T.C.?

THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER): (a) to (c) Selection and training is a continuous process in the DTC and for this purpose a select panel of 1775 persons which includes 496 SC/ST candidates has has been drawn up for the post of Retainer Crew Conductor. As there are no vacancies in the category of Conductors, no appointment could be made.

(d) No, Sir.

Pollution Control Certificate for Commercial Vehicles

467. SHRI ANAND PRAKASH GAUTAM: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question 1497 given in the Rajya Sabha on 31.7.91 and state the reasons for excluding the Commercial Vehicles like Taxis, Trucks, Buses, etc. from the requirement of Pollution Control Certificates even when those predominatly diesel driven vehicles cause a lot of vehicular pollution in Delhi?

THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER): Commercial vehicles are not excluded from obtaining Pollution Under Control Certificates. The pollution levels of all the commercial vehicles registered in Delhi are checked at the time of grant/renewal of fitness certificate and only vehicles having pollution levels within the standards laid down under Rule 115(2) of the Central Motor Vehicle Rules, 1989 are granted certificate of fitness.

Norms and conditions to recognise any association of employees in Post and Telecom.

468. SHRI ANAND PRAKASH GAUTAM: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) what are the norms and conditions to recognise an association of employees in Departments of Post and Telecom.